53. Vaccination in schools.—Vaccination increased considerably, 76% of the total number of scholars having been returned as vaccinated, as against 65% in 1082. 90% of the scholars in Sirkar schools have been returned as vaccinated.

54. The teaching staff.—The total number of teachers increased from 6,933 to 7,144, *i. e.*, by 3%; the percentage of trained teachers among them also increased from 17 to 20 per cent, owing to the addition of several trained hands to the staff of the schools. Sirkar schools maintained the lead in claiming the largest percentage of trained teachers. The majority of untrained teachers are reported to possess general educational qualifications or to have been recognised as teachers. The really unqualified teachers are said to be few and to be mostly working in private unaided schools.

55. Working of the Grant-in-aid Code.—94 schools were newly aided during the year and the grants of 80 schools were enhanced. No new or additional maintenance grant was however given to any English school. A building grant amounting to Rs. 6,446 was given to the Holy Angels' Convent Girls' English High School, Trivandrum, and another of Rs. 1,297 to the Mulagumud Technical School. A special grant of Rs. 5,000 was given to each of the Second Grade Colleges at Kottayam and Nagercoil. The total amount spent as grant-in-aid was Rs. 1,84,051.

56. Receipts and expenditure.—The total income and expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,67,646 and Rs. 7,30,530, as against Rs. 1,45,717 and Rs. 7,11,181 respectively in 1082. The net expenditure on education incurred by the Sirkar was Rs. 5,62,884. The distribution of the net expenditure under Collegiate, Secondary, Primary and Special education was in the ratio of 12, 40, 37 and 11.

Devaswoms and Oottupuras.

57.—During the year, the expenditure on account of Devaswoms or religious institutions was Rs. 9,65,113 and that on account of Oottupuras or charitable institutions was Rs. 6,32,684. The total expenditure on both together was Rs. 15,97,797. The expenditure on these institutions during the six years ending with 1083 is given below :—

Years.	Expenditure.		Total.
	Devaswoms. Rs.	Oottupuras. Rs.	Rs.
1078	6,54,100	4,16,946	10,71,046
1079	6,49,665	4,06,641	10,56,306
1080	6,49,068	4,42,514	10,91,582
1081	7,16,047	4,09,975	11,26,022
1082	9,01,779	5,10,522	14,12,301
1083	9,65,113	6,32,684	15,97,797

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